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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (44-38861)
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FROM: SAC, SPRINGFIELD (44-561) - P -

SUBJECT: MURKIN

On September 9, 1968, [redacted] Quincy, Illinois, advised that on this date he was contacted by GEORGE MC MILLAN and LAUGHLIN MC DONALD. MC MILLAN advised that he is a free lance writer who resides in Atlanta, Georgia, and had written articles for major publications such as Look and the Saturday Evening Post.

MC DONALD advised that he was a Civil Liberties Union attorney who resides in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. He told [redacted] he is presently on leave of absence from his position with the Civil Liberties Union.

MC MILLAN and MC DONALD advised [redacted] they are presently writing a book concerning JAMES EARL RAY and had contacted [redacted] inasmuch as he kept MELBA RAY, aka Melba Ryan, sister of JAMES EARL RAY, once as a foster child.

MC MILLAN told [redacted] he had learned that HUMPHREY WARD has purchased the rights to JAMES EARL RAY's memoirs and that WARD and J.P. STONER, who is involved in Right Wing causes and resides on the West Coast, are paying RAY's attorney's fees to Attorney HAYNES.

Both MC MILLAN and MC DONALD are contacting numerous people in the Quincy, Illinois, area. The source could furnish no further information concerning either.

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